

and baseball. During his freshman year, the baseball team won the Junior College State Championship and the basketball team won the conference championship. His leadership and talent on the field led to his signing with the Cincinnati Reds in 1957, but a shoulder injury ended his career after playing with the team for only two years. Albany High School and Contra Costa Junior College later inducted Joe into the Hall of Fame. Albany High School also honored him as their "Athlete of the Century".

Joe married his high school sweetheart Bettye Willis in 1957 but they divorced in 1979. He later met Corrine Tucker and married her in 1984. From his unions, seven children were born: Adrianna, Doreen, Richard, Mitchell, Bruce, Tashia, and Jamareia.

Committed to the continued success of the family business, Joe became a partner in 1996, working tirelessly to ensure its success. For more than forty years, Dorsey's Locker continued to grow and thrive in the Oakland community, even providing jobs to community members in need. It was extremely popular for its live music performances and open mic nights until its doors closed in 2015. It was a vital community institution where lively discussion and important events took place.

On a personal note, I have known Joe for many years. He and Dorsey's Locker have been a part of my public and private life, supporting all of my efforts in extraordinary ways. Joe has been a true friend to me, my sisters Mildred and Beverly, and my late beloved mother, Mildred Massey. For this, we are deeply grateful.

Today, California's 13th Congressional District celebrates the extraordinary life and service of Mr. Joe Dorsey. I wish him continued success, happiness, and well-being for many years to come.

#### IN CELEBRATION OF LOTTIE ALBERT'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

#### HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 30, 2015*

Mr. HASTINGS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to wish my very dear friend Lottie Albert a happy 100th birthday. Lottie was born on December 25, 1915 to Eva and Louis Wernick in New York City. Twenty-one years later, Lottie married Sol Albert and the two enjoyed 55 years of marriage, and have two lovely daughters, Harriet and Doreen. Lottie is the grandmother to Eric, Glenn, and Lowell, as well as a great-grandmother to Kyle, Samantha, Heather, and Seth.

Lottie has been a resident and community leader of Broward County for over 40 years. I am truly grateful for her selflessness and tireless service.

In 1988, she was inducted into the Area Agency on Aging's Dr. Nan S. Hutchinson Broward Senior Hall of Fame. Additionally, Broward County honored Lottie in 2005 by declaring November 12th as "Lottie Albert Appreciation Day." In 2012, Lottie was inducted into the Broward County Women's Hall of Fame for her work with the Ann Storck Children's Center, the Elderly Interest Fund's MEDIVAN Program, and the Alzheimer's Family Center.

It has been my honor to witness Lottie's commitment and passion for serving her community. Her civic engagement is an example to us all. I have enjoyed a personal friendship with Lottie over many years, and look forward to celebrating her birthday with her on December 5th in Sunrise, Florida.

Mr. Speaker, on the momentous occasion, please join me in wishing Lottie Albert a happy and wonderful 100th birthday.

#### RECOGNIZING ABBIE LOU HAMPTON MARTIN

#### HON. MIKE BOST

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 30, 2015*

Mr. BOST. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Abbie Lou Hampton Martin for her exemplary service to the East St. Louis, Illinois community.

Mrs. Martin served on the St. Clair County Mental Health Board for over 20 years. She was the chairman and leading fundraiser of the Mental Health Fundraiser Initiative. Additionally, she was the first African American woman to serve as the Physical Education Supervisor for the East St. Louis School District Number 189.

Mrs. Martin is also the only surviving charter member of the East St. Louis Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. She was initiated into the Alpha Nu Chapter in 1937 at the University of Illinois Urban and served as its president from 1946 to 1947.

She has always been active with the sorority since its founding 79 years ago. She has served on numerous committees throughout her long and service-filled career as a member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

In 2011, Mrs. Martin was honored for her service with the Wise Owl Award, an award given to those who have displayed outstanding service and commitment to their community.

On February 12, 2016, Abbie Lou Hampton Martin will celebrate her 100th birthday. I ask you to join me in both wishing her a happy birthday and thanking her for her many decades of dedicated service to the East St. Louis community.

#### HONORING ERIC POLLARD

#### HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 30, 2015*

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Eric Pollard, a true public servant whose leadership, loyalty, and dedication to his work has left an indelible mark on the Yonkers Public School System.

Teachers, administrators coworkers and parents all have wonderful things to say about Eric and the job he has done as Head Custodian of the School 16 Annex, located at 759 North Broadway in Yonkers. His reputation precedes him, due to his work ethic and dedication to the school. Principal Cynthia Eisner has lauded Eric, saying, "he makes sure that everything is not only in working order, but it is in tip top shape." In addition to his custodial

duties, Eric helps with arrivals and dismissals, serving as a de facto traffic officer, clearing the bus lanes of cars to ensure a smooth dismissal every day. The school's Assistant Principal, JoAnn DiMaria, has also praised Eric for his "leadership, loyalty, and dedication of the highest caliber in association with his responsibilities as Head Custodian. He supports and collaborates with custodial staff in the Main Building while consistently maintaining an immaculate environment where our children can learn."

A Yonkers resident himself, Eric resides with his wife, Lisa, and daughters Kamesha and Aaliyah in the district. He is one of six children born to Mildred and Claude Lee Sr. and has been a resident of Yonkers since 1967. He attended PS 8, graduated from Roosevelt High School, and has been employed by the Board of Education as a custodian since 1992. Eric is Yonkers through and through, and he epitomizes the hard work and dedication the community is known for.

On November 17th Eric is being honored with the 2015 Civil Service Employee of the Year Award, hosted by the Exchange Club of Yonkers and the Yonkers Public School system. It is my pleasure to congratulate Eric on this wonderful honor, and thank him for his years of service to the community.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. KEITH ELLISON

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 30, 2015*

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Speaker, due to pressing matters of public safety in my district, I missed the following roll call votes:

Roll call No. 638. I would have voted no. Roll call No. 639. I would have voted no. Roll call No. 640. I would have voted yes. Roll call No. 641. I would have voted no. Roll call No. 642. I would have voted yes. Roll call No. 643. I would have voted no.

#### HONORING BOY SCOUT TROOP 29 100-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

#### HON. LEE M. ZELDIN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 30, 2015*

Mr. ZELDIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Boy Scouts of America Troop 29, which is located in East Moriches, New York.

Troop 29 was founded in 1915 and is celebrating its 100-year anniversary this year. Since its inception, over 1,000 young men have been involved in Troop 29, many of whom have reached great success later in life. Impressively, in Troop 29, 61 young men have achieved the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout.

Today, I would like to congratulate Troop 29 on its 100-year anniversary and thank the Troop's members for their dedicated service to our community.